GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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TECHNICAL CUM COST STUDIES BY NPPA
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NPPA has conducted twenty Technical cum Cost Studies for bulk drugs ;

(b) if so, details of bulk drug plants visited ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Dy. Director (Technical) and A.D.(Cost) had gone to visit plants ;

(d) whether the reports have been submitted and new prices fixed ; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a)to(e):National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) conducts comprehensive Technicalcum Cost studies in respect of scheduled bulk drugs in order to fix/revise their prices as per provisions of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995.The comprehensive study normally involves plant visits by Costing and Technical officers. In all cases of comprehensive studies, reports are prepared and are placed before the Authority for its consideration. The revised/new prices are notified only after the approval of the Authority. NPPA also undertakes suo-moto fixation of prices where warranted by circumstances. Yearly statement of number of cases in which bulk drugs prices were fixed/revised by NPPA is as follows:-

1997-1999	- 2
1998-1999	-19
1999-2000	-28
2000-2001	-21
2001-2002	-19

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